

**DISTRICT COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS**

**DIVISION OF ST. CROIX**

**LORETTA S. BELARDO, ANGELA TUITT-SMITH, BERNARD A. SMITH, YVETTE ROSS-EDWARDS, AVON CANNONIER, ANASTASIA M. DOWARD, DARYL RICHARDS, EVERTON BRADSHAW, RODELIQUE WILLIAMS-BRADSHAW, PAMELA GREENIDGE and WINSTON GREENIDGE, on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated,**

**Plaintiffs,**

**v.**

**BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA,**

**Defendant.**

**1:18-cv-00008**

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**ORDER**

THIS MATTER is before the Court upon Plaintiffs' Motion to Set Rule 16(b) Scheduling Conference (ECF No. 38). Defendant filed an opposition to the said motion. The time for filing a reply has expired.

As Defendant observes in its response, a "Rule 16 Order is normally appropriate once all parties are before the Court and the initial pleadings have been closed. Neither has

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yet happened int his case.” Defendant’s Response to Plaintiffs’ Motion for a Rule 16 Scheduling Order (ECF No. 39) at 1. The Court agrees with Defendant that an initial scheduling conference in the above-captioned matter is premature at this juncture. Consequently, the Court will deny the motion.

Accordingly, it is now hereby **ORDERED** that Plaintiffs’ Motion to Set Rule 16(b) Scheduling Conference (ECF No. 38) is **DENIED**.

ENTER:

Dated: March 5, 2019

/s/ George W. Cannon, Jr.  
GEORGE W. CANNON, JR.  
MAGISTRATE JUDGE